

# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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1. This application entitled INFORMATION NETWORK VIRTUAL BACKPLANE is:
- a. x A new application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b).
- b.      A      continuation      divisional or      continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of prior application Serial No.      /      filed on     , entitled     .

**Application elements and other attached papers:**

2. x Specification (including Claims and Abstract) [Total Pages 24 ]
3. x Drawings (     informal / x formal), [Total Sheets 8 ]
4.      Oath or Declaration
- a.      Newly-executed
- b.      Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d))
5.      Incorporation By Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Item 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6.      This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)(4).
- a.      **DELETE** the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- b.      The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.

## CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10

I hereby certify that this UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL and the documents referred to as attached therein are being deposited on the below date with the United States Postal Service in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" addressed to: Box Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, United States Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, D.C. 20231 on:

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**9. Fee Calculation:**

FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	CALCULATIONS
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(c))	25 -20 =	5	x 18.00	90.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b))	4 -3 =	1	x 80.00	80.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 C.F.R. §1.16(d))			270.00	--
BASIC FEE (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a))				710.00
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS				880.00
REDUCTION BY 50% FOR FILING BY SMALL ENTITY (NOTE 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)				--
\$40.00 ASSIGNMENT RECORDAL FEE (if applicable)				--
TOTAL				880.00

12. Maintenance of Copendency of Prior Application

       A request for extension of time and the appropriate fee have been filed in the pending prior application (or are being filed in the prior application concurrently herewith) to extend the period for response until \_\_\_\_\_.

13.   x   An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is attached, along with the following indicated attachments thereto:

a.   x   Form PTO/SB/08A (1 sheet(s))

b.   x   Copies of references cited

14.        Certified copy of priority document(s)

15.   X   Return Receipt Postcard

16.        Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
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17.        An Assignment of the invention to \_\_\_\_\_

a.        is attached.

b.        was recorded on \_\_\_\_\_ at Reel \_\_\_\_\_, Frame \_\_\_\_\_.

18. The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

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       The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

       The power does not appear in the original papers, but was filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

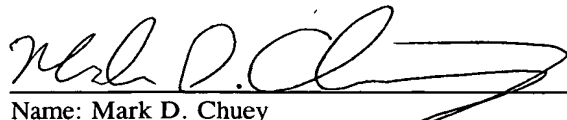
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